

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is filed after the Notice of Allowance of August 18, 2009.

Applicants appreciate the time and consideration provided by the Examiner in reviewing this application and finding the claims allowable upon an examiner's amendment. However, upon reviewing the allowed claims, Applicants noticed some discrepancies that must be corrected.

A telephonic interview with the Examiner was conducted on October 29, 2009 by the applicant's representative. During the interview the potential amendments to allowed claim 1 were discussed, and the Examiner explained that such substantial amendments require a new search and a re-opening of the prosecution.

A Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently with this amendment.

Claim 1 is amended to clarify the subject matter that the applicants consider as their invention. Claims 2, 7 and 11 are also amended for minor corrections, and a new independent claim 54 is added. In making these revisions care has been taken to ensure that no new matter is added and that the claims remain supported by the specification.

Applicants believe that the cited prior art, alone or in combination do not teach the present invention as claimed and that the application is now in condition for allowance, which allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required in connection with this correspondence, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully submitted,

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